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Part A: .....

1. Authority. The Act of June 26, 1930 (46 Stat. 818) provides: "That under such regulations as the heads of the respective departments concerned may prescribe and the President approve, civilian officers and employees of the Government having permanent station in a foreign country may be furnished, without cost to them, living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, in government-owned or rented buildings, and where such quarters are not available, may be granted an allowance for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, notwithstanding the provisions of section 1765 of the Revised Statutes (U.S.C., title 5, sec. 70): Provided, That said rented quarters or allowances in lieu thereof may be furnished only within the limits of such appropriations as may be made therefor, which appropriations are hereby authorized: Provided further, That the provisions of this Act shall apply only to those civilian officers and employees who are citizens of the United States."

2. Rental of buildings. Unless otherwise provided by law, the rental by the Government of living quarters for civilian employees having permanent station in a foreign country will be restricted to buildings rented by the Secretary of State.

3. Availability of Government quarters. Employees will be expected to reside in government-owned or rented buildings unless the head of the department concerned shall determine that suitable living quarters are not available.